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Applicant(s): Hitoshi Saito et al.

Invention: DISK DRIVE APPARATUS

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1 and 2, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.